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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Responsive to the Office Action mailed April 7, 2003, entry of the following amendments and consideration of the following remarks are respectfully requested.

## **AMENDMENTS**

## In the claims:

Please cancel claims 1-75.

Please amend the claims as follows.

76. (Amended) A composition comprising a solid support coupled to a chemical group comprising a cleavable functional group, a tag and a reactive group covalently linked to a sample molecule, wherein said cleavable functional group is

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